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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), which was filed on April 29, 2010 (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4)). Additionally, this IDS is filed before the mailing date of any of a final action under, a notice of allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. Each item of information contained in the IDS was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1)).

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

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Respectfully submitted,

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